Core Transfer Maps and Major Transfer Maps: Questions & Answers

I am a community college student and I plan on transferring to a four-year public university, but I am unsure of my major and/or where I’ll transfer to. How do I make the best course choices?

You should talk to your advisor about Core Transfer Maps. These Maps are groups of eight classes that add up to at least 30 credits. When you complete the full set of eight courses, those courses are guaranteed to transfer to any public university in Oregon, and all of your credits from the Core Transfer Map will count toward that university’s core bachelor’s degree requirements. Your advisor can also help you select specific courses in the foundational curricula from the approved list of courses that fit with your interests and career goals.

What do Core Transfer Maps guarantee?

If you successfully complete a Core Transfer Map, all of your credits from that Map are guaranteed to transfer to any Oregon public university and count toward its core bachelor’s degree requirements.

While Core Transfer Maps are great starting points for college, they are NOT complete first-year course plans. For information on specific majors or complete general education requirements you should talk to your advisor for guidance on the next steps you should take after completing a Core Transfer Map.

When will Core Transfer Maps be available to me?

Core Transfer Maps will be available to students fall quarter of 2018.

Where can I find more information about Core Transfer Maps?

You can talk to an advisor at your home institution. You can also go to the HECC transfer website (insert hyperlink) where you will find a list of designated persons from each campus who can help you with your questions about Core Transfer Maps.

I’m pretty sure about the major I want to pursue, but I’m unsure what school I’ll transfer to. How do I make the best course choices?

You should ask your advisor about Major Transfer Maps. A Major Transfer Map is a course plan for the major you have chosen that, when completed, will allow you to transfer all of your credits to any Oregon public university, and count all of those credits toward a bachelor’s degree in the specific major. You should talk to your advisor about the list of available Major Transfer Maps.

How do I know if a Major Transfer Map is right for me?

A Major Transfer Map is right for you if you are an Oregon community college student, you plan to transfer to a four-year public university, and you think you know what you want to major in (talk to your advisor about the list of available Major Transfer Maps).

What does a Major Transfer Map guarantee?

If you successfully complete a Major Transfer Map, any Oregon public university will accept all of your Major Transfer Map credits and count them all toward a bachelor’s degree in the specific major you chose. Because Major Transfer Maps are streamlined course plans for each major and all credits will transfer and count toward your degree, following one of these Maps should save you time and money.
When will Major Transfer Maps be available to me?

Major Transfer Maps in business, English, education and biology are currently being developed, and Maps for other disciplines will be developed in the coming years. Check with your advisor to see which Major Transfer Maps are available to you.

Where can I find more information about Major Transfer Maps?

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What is the relationship between Core Transfer Maps and Major Transfer Maps?

A Core Transfer Map (roughly 30 credits) is part of each Major Transfer Map (typically 90 credits). Many Major Transfer Maps will require students to take specific courses to complete the Core portion of the Major Transfer Map.

Students who know what they want to major in should follow a Major Transfer Map and see an advisor to pick the specific Core Transfer Map courses that fit within their Major Transfer Map.

How do Core Transfer Maps and Major Transfer Maps benefit students?

The intention of this work is to create clearer, more visible pathways between community colleges and public universities in Oregon that decrease the time it takes to complete a degree and the cost for that degree. Both the Core Transfer Maps and Major Transfer Maps should help students find their degree path sooner, spend less time and money, and complete degrees at higher rates.